

# SUMMARY MINUTES

ABAG General Assembly  
Business Meeting, April 19, 2007  
Palace Hotel  
San Francisco, CA

## 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Dave Cortese at 12:10 p.m.

## 2. CONFIRMATION OF QUORUM

Discussion of agenda items was delayed until Clerk of the Board Fred Castro announced that quorum was achieved at 12:35 p.m.

### County Delegates and Alternates Present

Supervisor Bill Dodd  
Supervisor Scott Haggerty  
Supervisor Rose Jacobs Gibson  
Supervisor Mark Kerns  
Supervisor Ross Mirkarimi

### Jurisdiction

County of Napa  
County of Alameda  
County of San Mateo  
County of Sonoma  
County of San Francisco

### City/Town Delegates and Alternates Present

Mayor Maria Alegria  
Vice Mayor Mike Anderson  
Councilmember Ana Apodaca  
Councilmember Newell Arnerich  
Councilmember Tom Bartee  
Councilmember Louis Becker  
Councilmember Chris Becnel  
Councilmember Ronit Bryant  
City Manager Carl Cahill  
Councilmember Don Callison  
Councilmember Laurie Capitelli  
Councilmember Jerry Carlson  
Councilmember Ken Chew  
Councilmember Larry Chu  
Vice Mayor Paul Cohen  
Vice Mayor Dave Cortese  
Mayor Ron Cox  
Mayor Pro Tem James Davis  
Councilmember Lara DeLaney  
Vice Mayor Maryann Derwin  
Mayor Carole Dillon-Knutson  
Vice Mayor John Dunbar  
Senior Advisor Mike Farrah  
Mayor Kelly Fergusson  
Councilmember Helen Fisicaro

### Jurisdiction

City of Pinole  
City of Lafayette  
City of Newark  
Town of Danville  
City of Vallejo  
City of Los Altos  
City of Brentwood  
City of Mountain View  
Town of Los Altos Hills  
City of American Canyon  
City of Berkeley  
Town of Atherton  
Town of Moraga  
City of Larkspur  
City of San Rafael  
City of San Jose  
City of Foster City  
City of Antioch  
City of Martinez  
Town of Portola Valley  
City of Novato  
Town of Yountville  
City of San Francisco  
City of Menlo Park  
Town of Colma

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Councilmember Alice Fredericks  
Mayor Daniel Furtado  
Mayor Jack Gingles  
Vice Mayor Pedro Gonzalez

Councilmember Robert Gottschalk  
Vice Mayor Surlene Grant  
City Administrator Geoffrey Grote  
Vice Mayor John Hanecak  
Councilmember Mike Hudson  
Councilmember Marie Gilmore  
Mayor Ben Johnson  
Vice Mayor Carol Klatt  
Councilmember Marj Leider  
Mayor Robert Lieber  
Mayor Janet Lockhart  
Councilmember Shawn Marshall  
Vice Mayor Bonnie McClung  
City Manager Herb Moniz  
Councilmember Leticia Moore  
Mayor Catherine Mullooly  
Councilmember Anu Natarajan  
Vice Mayor Jim Navarro  
Mayor Warin Parker  
Councilmember Julie Pierce  
Mayor Barbara Pierce  
Vice Mayor Lee Pierce  
Mayor Harry Price  
Mayor Pro Tem Gwen Regalia  
Councilmember Sepi Richardson  
City Manager George Rodericks  
Councilmember Carol Russell  
Councilmember August Sebastiani  
Councilmember Gregg Sellers  
Vice Mayor Anthony Spitaleri  
Councilmember Pam Stafford  
Councilmember Matt Sullivan  
Mayor Pam Torliatt  
Councilmember Bill Ward  
Vice Mayor Joanne Ward  
Councilmember Mike Wasserman

### **County Delegates Absent**

Supervisor Susan Adams  
Supervisor Federal Glover  
Supervisor Barbara Kondylis  
Supervisor Pete McHugh

### **City/Town Delegates Absent**

Mayor Sam Pierce  
Mayor Paul Albritton  
Councilmember Helen Allen

Town of Tiburon  
City of Campbell  
City of Calistoga  
City of South San Francisco  
City of Millbrae  
City of San Leandro  
City of Piedmont  
City of Pleasant Hill  
City of Suisun City  
City of Alameda  
City of Pittsburgh  
City of Daly City  
City of Livermore  
City of Albany  
City of Dublin  
City of Mill Valley  
City of Half Moon Bay  
City of San Ramon  
City of El Cerrito  
City of Hillsborough  
City of Fremont  
City of Union City  
Town of Windsor  
City of Clayton  
City of Redwood City  
City of Santa Rosa  
City of Fairfield  
City of Walnut Creek  
City of Brisbane  
City of Belvedere  
City of Cloverdale  
City of Sonoma  
City of Morgan Hill  
City of Sunnyvale  
City of Rohnert Park  
City of Pleasanton  
City of Petaluma  
City of Hayward  
City of Hercules  
City of Los Gatos

### **Jurisdiction**

County of Marin  
County of Contra Costa  
County of Solano  
County of Santa Clara

### **Jurisdiction**

City of Sebastopol  
City of Sausalito  
City of Concord

Councilmember Ruth Atkin	City of Emeryville
Vice Mayor Larry Bragman	Town of Fairfax
Councilmember Russ Cohen	City of Burlingame
Mayor Wayne Cooper	Town of San Anselmo
Councilmember Paul Correa	City of Gilroy
Councilmember Peter Drekmeier	City of Palo Alto
Mayor Jose Esteves	City of Milpitas
Mayor Coraline Feierbach	City of Belmont
Vice Mayor Erin Garner	City of Monte Sereno
Mayor Pre Tem Steve Glazer	City of Orinda
Councilmember Carole Groom	City of San Mateo
Councilmember Steve Hardy	City of Vacaville
Mayor Aileen Kao	City of Saratoga
Councilmember Patrick Kwok	City of Cupertino
Vice Mayor Michael Lappert	Town of Corte Madera
Vice Mayor Brad Lewis	City of San Carlos
Mayor Patricia Mahan	City of Santa Clara
Councilmember Leonard McNeil	City of San Pablo
Mayor Steve Messina	City of Benicia
Councilmember Irene O'Connell	City of San Bruno
Councilmember Janet Orchard	City of Cotati
Vice Mayor Gary Plass	City of Healdsburg
Councilmember Jean Quan	City of Oakland
Councilmember Carol Rios	City of Oakley
Councilmember David Tanner	Town of Woodside
Mayor Jill Techel	City of Napa
Vacant	City of Richmond
Vacant	City of St. Helena
Vacant	Town of Ross
Vice Mayor Gilbert Vega	City of Dixon
Councilmember Jim Vreeland	City of Pacifica
Mayor Eddie Woodruff	City of Rio Vista
Mayor David Woods	City of East Palo Alto

### **3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

### **4. APPROVAL OF SUMMARY MINUTES, April 20, 2006, General Assembly\***

President Cortese recognized a motion and a second to approve the minutes of the General Assembly of April 20, 2006. The motion passed unanimously.

### **5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Cortese reported that the Executive Board and staff have been hard at work on a number of important initiatives including Focusing our Vision and the Regional Housing Needs Allocation process for which one sub-region in San Mateo County was formed. The 30-day comment period for review of San Mateo County's RHNA numbers began on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

ABAG, the Metropolitan Transportation Commission, and the Bay Area Air Quality Management District's Joint Policy Committee (JPC) has begun to explore ways that the regional agencies can assist local governments with climate protection initiatives and information.

**6. PROPOSED ANNUAL BUDGET AND WORK PLAN – Fiscal Year 2007-2008\***

President Cortese recognized Executive Director Henry Gardner who presented a brief summary of the Annual Budget and Work Program for fiscal year 2007-2008. Executive Director Gardner reported that the Finance and Personnel Committee and the Executive Board have recommended that the base rate for membership dues be increased from \$300 to \$600. The membership dues base rate has been at the lower rate for the past 17 years.

President Cortese recognized a motion and a second to approve the budget and work program. The county vote on the motion was five ayes, zero nays, and the motion passed unanimously. The city vote on the motion was 62 ayes, three nays (including Martinez and Pleasant Hill), and the motion passed.

**7. PROPOSED BYLAW CHANGE\***

Executive Director Gardner reported that the Finance and Personnel Committee and the Executive Board have recommended that the per diem rate be increased from \$100 to \$150. The per diem has been at \$100 for the past 14 years.

President Cortese recognized a motion and a second to approve the proposed bylaw change. The county vote on the motion was five ayes, zero nays, and the motion passed unanimously. The city vote on the motion was 62 ayes, three nays (including Martinez and Pleasant Hill), and the motion passed.

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Vice Mayor Jake Mackenzie, City of Rohnert Park, announced that the Bay Area Water Form will sponsor a workshop in April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 9:15 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on water resources and land use decision-making. For information, go to [www.lgc.org](http://www.lgc.org).

President Cortese announced that a county by county outreach is underway to discuss priority development areas and priority conservation areas as part of the Focusing our Vision initiative. He encouraged participation by elected officials.

There were no other announcements.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at about 12:40 PM.

  
Henry L. Gardner, Secretary-Treasurer

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\* Indicates attachments.